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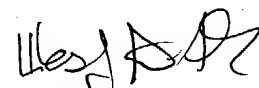
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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 13 January 2004 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:
- a) ☐ entered.
 - b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
 - c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
 - d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
 - e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

The amendment to the title as submitted in the 37 CFR 1.312 amendment submitted January 13, 2004 does not affect the scope of the invention and has been entered by the Examiner



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